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In re

Patent Application of

David R. Zittel, et al.

Application No. 10/791,694

Confirmation No.: 8765

Filed: March 2, 2004

Examiner: Drew E. Becker

"METHOD FOR PROCESSING FOOD
PRODUCT"

Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in the above-identified application.

Applicant claims small entity status.

The fee has been calculated as shown below.

| CLAIMS AS AMENDED | | | | | | | |
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| | (1) | (2) CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT | (3) | (4) HIGHEST NO. PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR | (5) PRESENT EXTRA | (6) RATE | (7) ADDITIONAL FEE |
| | TOTAL CLAIMS | 51 | MINUS | 52 | 0 | X \$25 | 0.00 |
| | INDEP. CLAIMS | 23 | MINUS | 23 | 0 | X \$100 | 0.00 |
| | TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT ----□ | | | | 0.00 | | |

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Respectfully submitted,

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AMENDMENT

Sir:

This communication responds to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment dated August 11, 2006. This Amendment has been revised to properly comply with the rules set forth in 37 CFR 1.121. Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner consider the following amendments and remarks in response to the Office action dated January 18, 2006. Applicant respectfully requests the Examiner to amend the present application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 26 of this paper.